

INDIANA AND MICHIGAN STATE HAPPENINGS

MUNCIE ASKS WHO IS WHO IN PROCEEDINGS?

R. Patterson, Formerly of South Bend, Interests Himself in Action.

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 12.—The filing of impeachment proceedings in the circuit court against Mayor Rollin Bunch by Thomas P. Patterson has caused the law and order people here to wonder what it is all about, and what is back of it. Mr. Patterson filed the impeachment proceedings after he had called on Gov. Ralston at Indianapolis, and after Patterson's visit to the governor, the governor promptly gave out a story of what he proposed to do if the city administration of Muncie did not act—that is, suppress the lawlessness of this city.

The people here are speculating as to why the governor suddenly became so active after Mr. Patterson's visit to him, and why a man who is an unknown quantity here should take the lead in a fight that the people of this city have been waging for almost two years.

Is a Newcomer.
Mr. Patterson is not a lawyer here, or rather, he is not a member of the local bar association. He applied to the local bar committee for admission to the Delaware county bar and was told that he would have to take an examination before he was admitted to practice. He is a newcomer in Muncie. He told the bar committee he had been admitted to the practice of law in Michigan and was informed that if he could furnish evidence to that effect he would not be required to take the examination in this county. He has not taken the examination, nor has he produced the evidence that he is a member of the Michigan bar. He has no office of his own, and when he came here he was in the office of a firm of insurance agents and now is working as a bond broker and insurance agent. He never before took any part in the clean-up campaign that has been going on here for almost two years. Mr. Patterson is not a householder—he boards at the home of O. E. Baldwin, a grocer, at 600 University av. in Riverside, a suburb of Muncie, and says he came here from South Bend.

What is the Motive?
The Civic league is not backing Patterson in his impeachment proceedings, the law firms of McCallan & Guthrie, W. H. Thompson, Wilbur Ryman and Horace Murphy, all of whom have been active in assisting the Civic league in its work, know nothing of Patterson or his proceedings. They do not understand why he should take it upon himself to see the governor in behalf of law enforcement in Muncie, or why the governor should act so quickly on information from Patterson.

The Civic league has waged a hard fight. It got indictments against Mayor Bunch and the greater part of his appointive officers. The Civic league has had no assistance from Gov. Ralston; it has had no help from J. Frank Mann, the prosecuting attorney. As far as the people of this city know, Gov. Ralston has never urged J. Frank Mann to do his duty, never has suggested to Mann that he should discharge his chief deputy, who is under a dozen or more indictments for graft and malfeasance in office. At no point has the Civic league received aid or encouragement from Gov. Ralston, as far as is known.

STURGIS, Mich.—Mr. Marsh of the M. P. August store in this city, suffered a broken wrist, broken thumb and other injuries when he fell through a trap door, after the lights in the store had gone out. He was after a fuse to fix the lights when he fell.

HERCULES HADN'T A THING ON THIS CONTRACTOR.

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Dec. 12.—L. E. Jones, a local contractor, has completed the task of moving an aerial tank, 120 feet high, weighing 90 tons, a distance of 120 feet and a source of amusement for hundreds of citizens who had been watching the work, has disappeared. The tank was moved by the Corrugated Paper Co. to make room for a new addition to the factory. The contractor simply jacked up the steel derrick, loaded it on shoes in which rollers were set, and pushed it to its new location.

SUSTAINS BROKEN LEG

Kick of Horse Lays Up Ralph Stevens of New Waverly.

LOGANSPOET, Ind., Dec. 12.—Ralph Stevens, son of L. B. Stevens, formerly of this city, now a resident of New Waverly, sustained a broken leg last evening about 5 o'clock when he was kicked by a horse which he was driving. Stevens had alighted from the buggy in which he was riding, supposedly to fix some part of the harness and was standing close to the hind legs of the animal when it suddenly kicked him on the left leg. Stevens fell to the ground and although he shouted lustily for assistance, no one arrived for 30 minutes.

An unknown farmer happened along and assisted the young man to a nearby house. An examination showed the large bone in his left leg broken between the ankle and knee. The injured man was taken to his home.

BLUE LAW OBSERVED

Grand Rapids Hear Clang of Lid by Order of Mayor.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 12.—Angered because Pros. Edward E. Barnard stepped in when the police board ordered billiard halls to open Sundays and threatened to prosecute the mayor and board members, Mayor George E. Ellis Saturday night ordered Police Commissioner Carroll to rigidly apply the Michigan blue law, passed in 1852.

Sunday all places of business in this city of 140,000 except drug stores were ordered closed and all except theater managers obeyed the mandate. Every theater manager in town will be fined \$10 and costs and upon opening the third Sunday will lose his license.

Grand Rapids saloons have been closed Sunday for 20 years.

EDUCATOR IS INJURED

School Superintendent of Lansing Shoots Self Accidentally.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 12.—Charles P. Cummings, superintendent of public schools and one of the state's best known educators, accidentally shot himself Sunday afternoon with a shot gun which he did not know was loaded and was cleaning preparatory for a rabbit hunt. Physicians say Mr. Cummings probably will not recover.

AGED WOMAN INJURED

Bicyclist Crowds Her From Street and Fall Hurts Her.

PAW PAW, Mich., Dec. 12.—A careless cyclist riding on the sidewalk after dark forced Mrs. Harriet Douglas from the sidewalk, causing her to fall and fracture her shoulder. Mrs. Douglas is an elderly woman and not strong. Because of her advanced years her injuries are considered serious. No trace of the bicycle rider can be found. After crowding the woman from the sidewalk he rode away swiftly.

HYPNOTIST STARTLES PAW PAW RESIDENTS

Attempts Are Made to Have Alleged Healer Arrested For His Operations.

PAW PAW, Mich., Dec. 12.—Considerable discussion has started here and in adjacent villages concerning the work of a hypnotist at present appearing in this city.

Branded a fake by many he is still continuing in the things they claim to be impossible, using reputable citizens from this community as subjects, with startling results.

An episode of his engagement at Lawton last week is particularly interesting. While there a man was found in a semi-conscious condition on the railroad tracks. When he had been given food and shelter he recovered and was enabled to tell his story. He had just been released from jail in Kalamazoo.

His arrest he said, was caused when a policeman thought him drunk as he staggered up the street, while in reality he was suffering from neuralgia of the heart. In this condition, which the doctors verified, he was later released.

The hypnotist took him in charge, secured food, clothing and shelter for him and gave him hypnotic treatments. The man left Lawton Saturday completely changed as a result.

Efforts have been made to arrest the hypnotist but to every charge preferred against him he has been able to defend himself.

LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE KEEPS LINE ON LIQUOR

Do Not Want Tangible Evidence Returned to Hagerstown in Any Form.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 12.—The Law and Order league of Hagerstown sent a letter to Sheriff Stern, demanding that he issue a sworn statement setting forth the disposition made of beer and whisky taken by the sheriff in the raid of a "blind tiger" in Hagerstown several weeks ago. The sheriff this afternoon issued a sworn statement to the effect that the beer and whisky had been emptied into a sewer at the court house in the presence of 10 witnesses. The "blind tiger" raided was the resort in which Arch Knapp shot and fatally wounded William Williams, a negro, several weeks ago. The Hagerstown Law and Order league was afraid the "tangible evidence" of the "blind tiger" might be turned back into Hagerstown and the members decided to keep a check on it.

DEATH REVEALS FATHER

Mrs. Margaret J. Cathers Believes D. A. Massey Was Her Father.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Margaret Jane Cathers, 80 years old, who lives near Newbern, Bartholomew county, believes she is the daughter of Drewery A. Massey, who died in Rush county last week at the age of 106. If her belief is true she has lived within 40 miles of her father for a half century without knowing he was alive.

Mrs. Cathers's father and mother separated when she was three weeks old, but she remembered having heard that his name was Drewery A. Massey. He did not tell where he was going, and was not heard of until during the Civil war when a brother met him on a battlefield and asked him what had become of his family. Mrs. Cathers had never heard of him since then.

SEVERAL MISHAPS

Hunter, Baby and Miners Hurt in Various Ways.

ST. CHARLES, Mich., Dec. 12.—Nelson Smith, while hunting rabbits, stumbled, discharged a shotgun he was carrying and the charge shot off the big toe on his left foot.

The 18-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Powell fell from a chair and broke her collarbone. The fracture was reduced and the little one is doing well.

Otto Geive and Martin Stepansky while working on a cross entry in the mine, were struck by falling slate and badly injured. No bones were broken but they are confined to their beds.

FORMER TRUSTEE SUED

Prosecutor Seeks to Recover \$500 From Township.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 12.—Suit has been filed in circuit court here by Homer Hennegar, prosecuting attorney, to recover \$500 which James R. Vess, a former trustee, is alleged to owe Union township. The action was brought at the instance of the state board of accounts. Vess is alleged to have misused school and civil funds. The amount sued for is only a part of the money which Vess is alleged to owe the township.

TURKS IN BALKANS

Join Austro-Germans to Pursue Allies in Greece.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—"Turkish troops said to consist of three divisions have joined the Austro-German forces at Doiran," says the Athens correspondent of the Morning Post. They are to help in the pursuit of the allied troops should they be forced into Greek territory, says the dispatch. The Bulgarians withdrawing in order not to arouse Greek public opinion.

ELWOOD PEOPLE GO TO OHIO TO HEAR REVIVALIST.

ELWOOD, Ind., Dec. 12.—Three hundred church people left on a special train for Bellevue, O., where they attended evangelistic meetings in charge of George T. Stephens, who conducted a campaign here four weeks ago. One thousand church people are expected to participate in a parade through the business streets of the town.

WOMEN THREATENED

Poison Pen Cases at Muskegon Are Investigated.

MUSKEGON, Mich., Dec. 12.—Two poison pen cases one in which Mrs. Samuel Glover, a local woman, was hounded by written threats that she was to be killed so the writer might marry her husband, and the other one involving a 16-year-old girl in White River township, near Muskegon, who has confessed to having written obscene and threatening letters to enemies in Montague and Muskegon—brought Federal inspectors A. H. Mackey and J. B. MacSwain of the Grand Rapids district to Muskegon.

The investigation of the Glover case convinced the inspectors that the letters threatening her had been written by a man who hoped to separate her from her husband and marry her himself.

Glover, who is an employee of a local automobile company, received from time to time letters in which he was urged to make a hunting trip so that his correspondent might poison Mrs. Glover and her child and leave Glover free to marry the writer.

Marked letters, placed in the home of a suspected person, came back to the Glovers, but all efforts to get a confession from the man failed.

BLACK HAND VICTIM

Detroit Man Shot and Killed in Front of Own Home.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—Seven men believed to be members of a so-called blackhand gang, shot to death Sam Ruggerio, 29 years old, as he was crossing the street in front of his boarding house at 417 Lafayette av., east.

According to witnesses, six shots were fired, two of them taking effect in Ruggerio's body. One bullet entered the right side and the other struck the body just over the heart piercing it and causing instant death.

The police are working on the theory that Ruggerio was a witness to the shooting of Frank Castiglione, police informer who was killed by a "blackhand" gang early last Sunday morning.

One man, a foreigner, is under arrest on a charge of carrying concealed weapons.

MISSING MISS WEDS

After Marriage She Phones Mother and Tells of Ceremony.

FLINT, Mich., Dec. 12.—"Hello, mother, we've just been married," was the message that came to Mrs. Mary Parsell after an all-day search for her daughter, Winnie. Winnie has been employed at the office of the Michigan Light Co., but she didn't go to work one morning. When she failed to appear at dinner, her mother started a search for her.

Winnie married Fred Wildanger, heir to the estate of his father, the late John Wildanger. They were married by Rev. C. E. Bishop, rector of Christ Episcopal church.

SHAKING NOT GAMBLING

So Decide Terre Haute Men When Voting on Dice Throwing.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 12.—A jury made up of business men, decided in city court yesterday that "shaking the box" is not gambling. William Owens, a clerk in the Terre Haute cigar stand, was arrested recently when shaking dice with patrons, and when the case was called he demanded a jury trial. The jury took one ballot, it is said, and voted unanimously for acquittal.

BROKEN BACK FATAL

LAFAYETTE, Dec. 12.—After living several months with a broken back, George D. Gustafson is dead at Valparaiso. Gustafson crept out of the boom of a machine. He lost his hold and the fall broke his back. He was 30 years of age.

LANSING, Mich.—The requisition of Gov. Hiram Johnson of California, for George Roy Davidson of Detroit wanted in San Francisco on an embezzlement charge was honored by Gov. Ferris. It will take effect Tuesday noon in order that Sen. James A. McArthur, Davidson's counsel, can institute habeas corpus proceedings in the Wayne county courts.

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Dr. Sharpe said that when the Germans took Belgrade they hauled down the American flag over the Serbian hospital and raised the German colors, remarking "We don't want the American flag in Belgrade."

"After the city had been entered by the Germans," said Dr. Sharpe, "I sent my commissioners to find out what had happened to Dr. Ryan. Dr. Ryan returned."

"The commissioners returned and told me Dr. Ryan was a prisoner. He had been wounded while going about the city collecting injured in his automobile. My commissioners told me that the Austrian soldiers tore down the American flag at the orders of their German commanders. They then hoisted the German flag."

The tragic story of the Serbian nation's retreat before the invaders without food was told by Dr. Sharpe. "The Germans entered Belgrade on Oct. 7," he said, "Three days of terrific street fighting followed. During this time 120,000 shells were fired by the Germans from 500 guns. Then the exodus began."

Three Million People Leave.

"Three million persons, old men, women and children, retreated before the Serbian army. There was absolutely no food in Serbia. There is none now."

"I left Belgrade on the evening of Oct. 9. The road for 15 miles outside the city was choked with refugees. We left in a howling rain. It was the most frightful scene I have ever witnessed. But even in this desperate circumstance there were slight touches of humor. Here and there an aged man was dragging a pig along while others held canaries in their hands or carried a few worthless household chattels."

Regiment Wiped Out.

The story of the annihilation of a French regiment during the trench fighting along the River Aisne was told by Dr. Arthur H. Burling of San Mateo, Cal., also a Cymric passenger. Dr. Burling was one of the 50 survivors of this engagement. The regiment went into the fight 3,000 strong. He was severely wounded in the leg and shoulder during the fight. He told the story in graphic detail.

"I was attached to a regiment of the foreign legion," he said. "I was first a surgeon, but later got a commission as a captain. We were stationed before Mussey, one of the points along the Aisne."

"I got mine during a 15-yard dash for a trench abandoned by the Germans. It was a German trap, but we did not know it. Our regiment went across the south side of the Aisne on pontoons."

Reserves Fail to Come.

"We saw a burning house and made for it. From this point we saw the abandoned trench 15 yards away. We made a dash and took possession of it."

"Then the Germans gave it to us good. We hung on waiting for French reserves, but they did not come. We were in that inferno for three days. The Germans raked up with an enflaming fire, but we could not evacuate the position as that would have been worse."

"The last I knew I was being dragged away by a Cameron Highlander. I woke up in a hospital at Havre."

BELIEVE 100 TO 150 KILLED IN EXPLOSION

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The inquiry into the causes of the explosion at the Belgian government's huge powder factory at Havre has taken the direction of discovering whether it was due to German machinations in the United States. Latest reports show that 100 to 150 persons were killed by the blast.

Two hundred and fifty tons of powder blew up in an annex where boxes of ammunition from America were stored. An official states that a short while ago one such box was found to contain an apparatus intended to cause its automatic explosion. Since then all cases received from America had been carefully examined.

Quite close to the scene of the explosion is a German prisoners' camp.

Property within a two-mile radius of the factory was wrecked by the explosion. All the doors and windows in the big Schneider gun works nearby were blown in, killing several men.

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REVENUE LAWS TO WAIT

No Action Expected Until After the New Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Revenue legislation, except the action to be taken in extending the war revenue tax, will be postponed until after the new year. The democrats will make an effort to hurry through the proposed amendment to the war tax striking out the last line which extends the tax only to the end of the present calendar, so that the law will remain in effect indefinitely.

BACK TO SIMPLE LIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Far from the glare of Broadway, down among the multi-millionaires of Westbury, L. L. Eugenia Kelly Davis and her dancer husband, Al, have decided to begin the back-to-nature existence they told of when they were married.

It is said the couple will devote themselves to raising thoroughbred horses.

MARQUIS DIES AT NINETY.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Marquis of Abernethy, a great friend of Lord Beaconsfield during that statesman's life, died Saturday at Eridge castle, Sussex. He was nearly 90 years of age, having been born Sept. 16, 1826.

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